

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 09 Sep 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 10 Sep 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 09 Sep 2023 at 03:03 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for mostly dry conditions on Saturday and for transition to colder weather early next week. Lower confidence of shower details on Sunday and Monday.

Headline for Saturday 09 Sep 2023: Bright spells. Occasional showers. Quite windy on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 09 Sep 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight

Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
	 MIST				
Cloudy	Mist	Cloudy	Heavy rain showers	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
10%	10%	20%	40%	30%	20%

Forecast for Saturday 09 Sep 2023

Weather: Early mist in some glens with banks of cloud on lower slopes, mainly over the Trossachs, soon dispersing. Then much of the day will be dry with bright spells and just a few showers breaking out later in the afternoon, with isolated thunderstorms. Clouds thickening later in the day over Lochaber and Glencoe with a little light rain.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% lowering 40% over western ranges later.

Low Cloud and visibility: Patches of poor visibility at lower levels at first. Then generally good visibility with occasional cloud cover above about 700 to 800m, becoming extensive in west during evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	29/34 S	31/37 SW	29/37 SW	27/35 SW	24/30 SW	21/27 SW	21/26 SW
900	17/21 SW	21/26 SW	21/28 SW	20/27 SW	17/23 SW	16/21 SW	16/21 SW
600	19/23 SW	26/32 SW	24/31 SW	21/28 SW	18/24 SW	18/23 SW	17/23 SW
300	8/12 S	13/17 SW	14/20 SW	13/18 SW	10/16 SW	8/14 S	9/14 S
Glen	6/12 SW	11/20 SW	12/22 SW	9/18 SW	8/16 SW	7/15 SW	7/15 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	11/7	11/6	12/7	10/6	9/5	9/5	8/5
900	13/10	13/9	14/10	13/10	12/9	11/8	11/8
600	15/12	14/10	15/11	15/11	14/11	13/10	13/10
300	16/15	16/14	16/14	17/15	16/14	15/14	14/13
Glen	17/16	18/17	18/17	19/18	17/17	16/16	16/15
Freezing Level*	3300m	3200m	3000m	3000m	3000m	3000m	3000m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Southwest winds becoming strong over higher ridges and summits. Sunburn and dehydration will continue to be the main hazards for hill walkers.

Forecast for Sunday 10 Sep 2023

Weather: Rather cloudy but mainly dry in the morning, just a little drizzle, especially in the west. Bright spells developing along with scattered showers in the afternoon and evening, some heavy and possibly thundery.

Maximum wind: Light southwest winds, average speeds of 10 to 15mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%

Low Cloud and visibility: Rather misty conditions at first, otherwise good visibility away from showers with clouds above about 700 to 800m. Brief interruptions to poor visibility as heavier showers pass by with clouds lower down the hills.

Temperature: **Glens:** 12 Celsius rising to 21 Celsius.
At 800m: 15 Celsius.
Freezing level: Well above the tops.